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MINUTES OF THE TWENTY-FOURTH MEETING OF SUBCOMMUTTEE ON EXPLOITATION OF FOREIGN LANGUAGE PUBLICATIONS

19 April 1954

Present

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Members:

CIA, Chairman, CIA

Stanley Wilcox, State

Richard Bauer, Army

Lt. Cdr. Gilbert W. Roberts, Havy

Maj. Roward G. Neumann, Air Force

John Anderson, AEC (for Dr. Charles Reichardt)

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Consultants:

CIA

William Hudson, Novy

1. The twenty-fourth meeting convened at 14:00 hours and the minutes of the twenty-third meeting were approved.

2. More representative ATIC abstract cards were presented to the members at Mr. Keeney's request re the ATIC proposal:

Army: Mr. Bauer was not prepared to discuss the ATIC proposal on abstracting but will do so at the next meeting.

Hevy: Lt. Cdr. Roberts stated that it was doubtful that Havy could undertake any abstracting with present facilities.

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CIA: questioned the wisdom of covering any publications which are covered by commercial abstracting services.

Air Force: Maj. Neumann stated that commercial abstracting was not timely enough to satisfy Air Force needs.

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3. In review of specifications the following disposition was made by the Subcommittee:

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Al: The Chairman having confirmed that this item is a matter for the Procurement Subcommittee, agreed to propose a draft of recommendations to that body from this Subcommittee for consideration at the next meeting.

A2: FDD submitted a survey entitled "Sources of Contents Lists of Soviet Bloc Scientific and Tethnical Periodical Literature" based on five issuing agencies. Each member was requested to check the paper for:

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- a. To determine whether any titles of periodicals are received by any agency which are not listed in the survey.
- b. If "a" is found true, then to check to determine whether such titles are classified or unclassified due to the method of procurement.
- c. To determine whether any titles not covered by current reporting are of sufficient interest to warrant reporting on them.

The resulting facts will be discussed at the next meeting.

- A3: The Chairman stated that Mr. Pughe of AID had indicated that he would be willing to handle such annotations for scientific and technical books as are received by Library of Congress on the basis of his Phase I reporting.
- Maj. Neumann indicated that he was not prepared to make a commitment for Air Force at this time but would investigate the point preparatory to discussion at the next meeting.

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- Library of Congress. Discussion revealed that all known books handled by A-2 are sent to Library of Congress. All books received by G-2 appear on the G-2 Document Library list, and Mr. Bauer stated that he will investigate the possibility of G-2 preparing annotations of these. Books received by CMI appear in their Technical Accession lists as well as in 25×1A9a the original forwarding report from the field. Queried whether FDD could assemble in one publication the "fringe" materials so that full coverage could be assured. FDD will investigate and report at the next meeting.
- At: Library of Congress is providing CIA with biographic cards as a by-product of the MIRA operation. These cards are incorporated in the Biographic Register coverage and are available to the IAC agencies. It was agreed by the members that this would satisfactorily meet their needs in this field.
- A5: FID has undertaken this requirement as stated in the minutes of the 23rd meeting.
- A6: FDD is agreeable to the ATIC proposal which would call for their abstracting 16 periodicals, and discontinuing publication of the present "Periodical Abstracts." The subject will be discussed at the next meeting.
- A7: This requirement is now being met by the Consolidated Translation Survey (CTS) published by FDD. It will be continued.
- A8: FDD will handle this and incorporate it with reporting on "Science News Items." (See A5 above)
 - A9: FDD will handle.

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4. In review of Army's specifications (see minutes of the 20th secting, 19 Feb 54), the following suggestions were rade by the Chairman and agreed to by Mr. Bauer:

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Para 4a(1): Same consideration as Al of list.

Para 40(2): FDD will undertake to handle when a list of Army's statements of interest is received. Mr. Bauer will draw up such a list.

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Fara 4a(3): FDD will investigate any gaps not covered in suggested handling of AZ and A3 above. 25X1A9a

Fara 4s(4): FDD will handle on the same basis as A5 of list.

Fara 4a(5): It was suggested that Army can get this information from Biographic Register. Mr. Bauer will determine whether this will be satisfactory to Army's Technical Services.

Fura 4a(6): FDD can undertake this requirement.

Para 4a(7): FIED can incorporate this reporting with its "Science News Items" or report the material directly to Graphics Register where it would be available to all agencies.

5. The meeting adjourned at 1530 hours. The next meeting will be held at 1400 hours, Friday, 30 April 1954 in Room 2125 M Building.

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